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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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In response to the Official Action dated January 24, 2003, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on April 24, 2003, and having been extended by two months to expire on June 24, 2003, by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please substitute the following paragraph (**Clean Text**) for the respective paragraph of the specification (A **“marked up”** copy of the specification amendments is provided as an attachment to this Reply).